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## AMENDMENT

Sir:

For

In response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2001 please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-10 and 20 and please add new claims 22-32 as follows:

22. An electrically actuatable igniter comprising;

a pair of electrodes;

a heating element electrically connected

between said electrodes; and

ignition material in contact with said

heating element, said ignition material comprising a mixture

of a metal powder and a particulate oxidizer that